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Will the anti-license aldermen

attend the next meeting of the council?

Yes!

The Republican quotes Rev. W. S. Studley, D. D., on "Ray." Ball, of Buffalo. So much the worse for Studley.

Why does not the Republican, the

organ of the party, advise the council,

as to what is best on the license question?

Will there be license? Yes!

When will it be issued? This month; probably on Tuesday night.

Will it be high license? No! If

the council is made up of prohibitionists

and the issuing of license because

of a plank that no license will hurt

the Republican party in the fall elections.

That is doubtless a slander on May-

or Chambers to say that the reason

he voted on Monday night to post-

pone the license question, was that

Kanar had not yet got a tenant for

his room.

Is this the best feather

now worn by ardent Republicans of

this city, one similar to the "Ogle-

by's Mexican military cap has been

suggested. It was said to have been

worn by a Republican again.

The Republican papers have been

attempting to show that Mr. Hen-

dricks was in sympathy with the

south, to which the Courier-Journal

remarks that Mr. Hendricks was very

much admired by southern planters,

before the war; but whenever they

had a nigger to be caught, they de-

pend and corruption does not disqualify

a republican candidate. If it does,

why are Wheeler, Reece and Davis

not bounced?

Hon. A. E. Stevenson Declines.

The following letter was received

yesterday, in response to one of in-

quiry as to the willingness of Mr.

Stevenson to make the race for con-

gress in this district.

Chicago, Aug. 7, 1884.

Hon. S. S. JACK, Decatur, Ill.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter of recent

date was forwarded me to this city

from Bloomington.

The serious illness of my only son,

now under the care of a surgeon in

this city, demands my constant at-

tendance at his bedside. While I

am grateful for the kind words con-

tained in your letter, and for the

many other letters of a similar char-

acter I have received, yet I cannot

accept a nomination for congress,

even if tendered me. A duty higher

than that to party is now pressing

sadly upon me.

Again thanking you for your ex-

pressions of confidence and sym-

pathy, I remain,

Yours very truly,

A. E. STEVENSON.

Our letter to Mr. Stevenson was

written at the suggestion of leading

democrats of this and other counties

of this district, and there will doubt

less be general regret among the

democracy that he feels that owing

to family afflictions, he cannot make

the race, if the nomination is ten-

dered him. Mr. Stevenson has had

congressional experience, and made

a splendid representation. He made

a popular canvass, always succeeding

in cutting down the vote of his op-

ponents. In his affliction he has a gen-

erous sympathy, with the hope that

his son may be speedily restored to

health, and with the further hope

that Mr. Stevenson may yet be able

to lend a helping hand in the present

campaign.

THE "LIGHT OF ASIA."

What a Reporter's Examination of

Adam Forepaugh's White Elephant

Showered Indulgent Gentleness.

A Full Description of a Very Rare and

Curious Animal—Impressions of

Disinterested Viewers.

(Chicago Tribune, June 13, 1884.)

The Tribune reporter recently "saw

the elephant." By this is not meant

the guided creature of city life that

dazzles the eyes of the country visitor,

but a living, breathing animal, such

as few have the good fortune to look

upon anywhere in life's journey be-

tween the cradle and the grave—a

genuine white elephant of Siam, the

Hindoo the most sacred of all

things earthly. This creature, known

as the "Light of Asia," is attached

to the traveling show of Adam

Forepaugh, and has been seen and

admired by thousands at Philadelphia,

Buffalo, Detroit, Bay City and Grand

Rapids, along the way toward Chi-

cago. In order that the public might

know something of this rare and

beautiful animal in advance, a reporter

from Chicago and several others

visited the show at Grand Rapids,

where the beast excited great interest

among the people. Under the

care of the manager, unshack-

led, and in the care of a single atten-

dant, the creature was introduced to

the crowd, most majestic, regal, and

yet delicate and beautiful specimen of

the elephant family they had ever seen.

The animal was without trappings,

save a slender silver harness crossing

the back and passing around the waist

and neck, the straps of which were

closely studded with highly-colored

jewels. The elephant is really stone-

gray or about the shade of clean ash-

boards. Aside from this distinction he

is remarkable for his soundness of

limb, the whiteness of his short tusks,

and the shapely roundness of his body.

The most careful examination fails

to reveal the presence of foreign col-

ored matter. The skin is perhaps

softer and thinner than that of the

ordinary proboscidean, but that it is

healthy and normal cannot be dou-

bted either by scientist or novice. A

long, careful and thorough examina-

tion of the animal was made. The

reporter was permitted to pull his

sacred ears and rub the holy snout

and safely flanked without exciting

anything more than a mild interest.

He even permitted the reporters

to be thrust into his nostrils and

ears and seemed well pleased with

the investigation, the result of which

was to establish his high pedigree.

The harder sections of his skin are

of an ashen color, and the flanks and

upper portions between the forelegs,

the inner lining of the nostrils and

the ear-drum are a light transparent

pink. The hair inside the funnel of

the ear is of a light yellow, that be-

tween the forelegs and on the crown

of the head the color of unbleached

flax. The nails of the middle toes are

white, almost as white as the teeth,

and in the strongest possible contrast

to those of all other elephants of the

ordinary kind, whose nails are as

black as the hoofs of a horse.

Mr. Forepaugh's white elephant

possesses another feature which un-

doubtedly brands him as a member

of the rare distinct race of sacred

Sigames, pachyderms. About half-

way between the end of the snout and

the mouth there is a perforation called

the third nostril. It belongs to the

species and is a singular charac-

teristic. That it is a natural fea-

ture and not a creation is shown by

the gradual blending of the gray skin

of the outside of the trunk with the

pink lining, aside from which fact

the perfect oval shape of the aperture

and the ease with which the animal

takes water with his trunk in spite of

this outlet are worthy of attention.

The "Light of Asia" is without a peer

on American soil and is certainly the

shapeliest elephant the reporter ever

saw. His head is perhaps larger and

rounder in comparison with the size of

his body than that of some elephants,

but this seems more advantageous

than detrimental. The creature is in

perfect health, perfect in symmetry,

without blotch, dark eyes, and a face so

benign and compassionate that the

Hindus may be forgiven for main-

taining that the soul of Buddha, their

Redeemer, was destined some day to

lumber within the bosom of such a

beast.

Mr. Forepaugh has numberless affi-

davits showing exactly where and how

the prize was secured and also other

sworn testimony obtained from the

most eminent scientists willing to

stake their reputations upon the

statement that the skin is natural and

free from all foreign substances. Dr.

Joseph Leidy, Professor of Anatomy

in the University of Pennsylvania,

and President of the Academy of

Natural Sciences, gives the color as

ash-gray, and says there is no percep-

tible evidence of artificial coloring.

Dr. William S. Forbes, Demonstrator

of Anatomy in Jefferson Medical

College, Philadelphia, cut away har-

dened portions of the skin of the

white elephant "Light of Asia," and

also similar portions of the skin of

ordinary elephants, and submitted

them to microscopical tests, subse-

quently presenting Mr. Forepaugh

with his certificate that the "Light of

Asia" was, in contradistinction to

other elephants, unquestionably a "white

elephant," and that he had found the

skin natural and healthy, that it was

free from all foreign substances of

every description, and that it per-

formed its functions well. Prof. Van-

burgh, of the Ann Arbor (Mich.)

University, and Prof. Hoadley and

Viele, of the Chicago College Physi-

cians and Surgeons, and many other

distinguished scientists have

united in pronouncing "Light of As-

ia" a genuine white elephant.

The following is from Prof. V. C.

Vaughan, of Michigan University:

ANN ARBOR, June 3.—By invitation

of Mr. Davis, of Forepaugh's show, I

made an examination of the elephant

"Light of Asia." The fullest opportu-

nity for the examination was given.

There is no evidence of artificial col-

oring, and I fully concur with the

statements of Prof. Leidy and For-

bes.

V. C. VAUGHAN, M.D.,

Professor of Physiological Chemistry







